

Virginia Green Lodging Profile:





Marriott Richmond Marriott

Richmond, Virginia

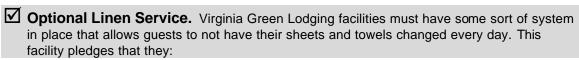
Virginia Green is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices is all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. *Virginia Green* has established "core activities" specific to each sector of tourism, and these practices are considered the required minimum for participation in the program. However, *Virginia Green* encourages its participants to reduce their environmental impacts in all aspects of their operations; and this profile provides a full list of all their "green" activities. These are the activities that guests / customers can expect to find when they visit this facility.

Richmond Marriott

Green Statement: Richmond Marriott decided to go green "to promote sustainability, reduce our carbon footprint, and be responsible corporate citizens".

CORE ACTIVITIES for Lodging

"☑" This symbol indicates a required activity for Virginia Green Lodging facilities. Participants self-certify that these activities are in place and they provide additional specifics on other activities. Visitors to **Richmond Marriott** can expect the following practices:



- Change linens only upon request
- Train house cleaners on process for optional linen service
- Minimize use of bleach and chlorinated chemicals
- Recycling and Waste Reduction. Virginia Green Lodging facilities must recycle Glass Bottles and are highly encouraged to maintain a comprehensive recycling program. This facility pledges that they:
 - Recycle: glass, aluminum cans, plastic, office paper, toner cartridges, newspaper, cardboard, packing supplies
 - Track overall waste bills
 - Instruct housekeeping to save and reuse unopened items
 - Do not use Styrofoam
 - Use reusable dishware and glassware, and minimize use of disposables
 - Use disposable containers made from recycled content
 - Use non-bleached napkins and coffee filters
 - Provide condiments, cream and sugar, etc. in bulk
 - Use water pitches and filtered water to minimize the use of single-use bottles
 - Donate excess food from events
 - Have an effective food inventory control to minimize waste
 - Purchase from vendors and service providers with a commitment to the environment
 - Make 2-sided copies/ printed materials

- Use electronic correspondence and forms
- Water Conservation. The facility must have a plan for conserving water that should consider plumbing modifications and landscaping. This facility pledges that they:
 - Track overall water usage and wastewater
- **☑** Energy Conservation. The facility must have a plan in place that encourages replacement of lighting and equipment to energy-efficient alternatives. This facility pledges that they:
 - Track overall energy bills
 - Have had an energy audit to identify efficiency opportunities
 - Have an "energy management system" in place to track and meter energy usage
 - Use:
 - compact fluorescent light bulbs in all rooms and in canned lighting
 - LED Exit Signs
 - Have high efficiency heating & air conditioning (HVAC) systems
 - Perform preventative maintenance on HVAC system
 - Have individual thermostats for each room/area
 - Use natural lighting



- Green Events Package. The facility must offer a "green" or "environmentally-friendly" package for conferences, meetings and other events. Even if the facility only offers occasional, small events, at least recycling will be provided. This facility pledges that they:
 - Promote the availability of "green meetings/conferences" in marketing packages
 - Have recycling bins in each meeting room, linenless southern aluminum tables, water service instead of bottles

For more information on **Richmond Marriott**, see www.marriott.com/ricdt or contact **Bryan Parks** at bryan.parks@whitelodging.com or **804-343-6925**.

For more information on *Virginia Green Lodging* program, see www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/lodging or go to www.virginiagreentravel.org.



Virginia Green Lodging program is a supporting partner of *Virginia Green*, the Commonwealth's campaign to encourage environmentally-friendly practices is all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. *Virginia Green* is supported through a partnership between the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, the Virginia Hospitality & Travel Association, and the Virginia Tourism Corporation.





